



Call for Applications

IHS Injury Prevention Specialist Class of 2005

Program Development Fellowship

What is the Program Development Fellowship (PDF)?

The PDF is a 12-month advanced learning experience for individuals promoting injury prevention in American Indian/Alaska Native communities. A college degree is not required.

What will participants gain from the PDF?

- Enhanced skills in program planning and implementation:
 - Building and maintaining successful coalitions
 - Promoting community involvement
 - Organizing local injury data and evaluating programs
 - Using marketing and advocacy skills
 - Finding new sources of funding, grant writing
- The latest information on “best practices” for prevention of intentional and unintentional injuries
- Success stories in the prevention of injuries from motor vehicle crashes, violence, falls, and fires
- Improved effectiveness and satisfaction in your injury prevention work
- Individualized learning experiences (e.g., using GPS devices, conducting surveys)
- Completion of a project that will help reduce injuries in your community

What is the PDF curriculum?

- Four courses at different sites, each 4-1/2 days long:
 - **Injury prevention program planning:** Navajo Nation, May 16-20, 2005
 - **Program implementation and evaluation.** University of Utah, Summer 2005
 - **Injury prevention field work.** Oklahoma Area, Fall 2005
 - **Social marketing, advocacy, and presentation skills:** Albuquerque, Winter 2006
- Completion of a project that will have an impact on injuries in your community
- At-home learning activities (such as attending a coalition meeting)
- A presentation session at the end of the Fellowship in May or June 2006
- Computer training for beginners to advanced users
- Faculty and local mentors to assist you throughout the year

Who should apply?

Persons who have:

- Worked at least 12 months in the area of injury prevention;
- Attended the one-week IHS injury prevention introductory course (Level 1 or equivalent);
- Demonstrated a commitment to community injury prevention.
- Knowledge of, or willingness to learn, use of the Internet.

Ideal applicants include directors of tribal injury prevention programs, tribal health authority and health care staff, CHRs, nurses, firefighters, police, health educators, community coalition members, environmental health specialists, previous IHS IP Fellowship graduates, and others working for tribes in injury prevention.

Applications must be received by **December 15, 2004**. Acceptances will be announced by January 15, 2005.

Need more information?

An on-line copy of the **application packet** is available at www.dehs.ihs.gov/noinjuries. For questions or to request an application, please contact Larry Berger, 1335 Bryn Mawr Drive NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106. Phone and fax: 505-275-3153; e-mail: bergerlaw@msn.com.